

President's Message

Energy law and policy have moved close to the forefront of the nation's social and economic consciousness in a period of a very few years. Public interest and concern will focus with still greater intensity upon energy development and use as this decade proceeds. We hope through the Energy Law Journal to provide an effective forum for the analysis and discussion of vital energy issues, their impact upon our lives and professional practice, and means by which current concerns can be alleviated and problems resolved.

The articles in this issue, the second issue of the Energy Law Journal, illustrate several of the energy policy directions being considered and being implemented by Congress, the Executive Departments, and Federal agencies. The insights of practitioners are brought to bear upon the advantages and disadvantages, pitfalls and pratfalls which so often accompany new or renascent policies dealing with energy production, transmission, taxation, and administration.

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